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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from March 15 to April 15 are listed below. These projects have been screened through the internal environmental review process for potential impacts on wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and cultural and archaeological resources, etc. Through the review process it was determined that environmental impacts have been kept to a minimum and mitigated as necessary, that they do not meet the criteria for significant actions as defined in the environmental review process, and may proceed. All of these projects are in compliance with the Endangered Species Protection Act, Natural Areas Preservation Act, Interagency Wetlands Policy Act and cultural resource statutes.

Pere Marquette State Park

1708122 - This project involves corrective measures to repair gully erosion. Worked with USDA/NRCS to design an agricultural stabilization structure consisting of a terrace, 4" tile, and an inlet pipe. Project was submitted for review on 3-13-17.

Pere Marquette State Park

1708342 - This project involves waterline repairs near the intersection of Army Road, Scenic Road, and Upper Park Road. Project was submitted for review on 3-17-17

Pere Marquette State Park

1708242 - This project involves waterline repairs near Mailbox Road and Upper Park Road. Project was submitted for review on 3-16-17.

Pere Marquette State Park

1708792 - This project involves waterline repairs near the Upper Picnic Area. Project was submitted for review on 3-29-17.

Horseshoe Lake (Madison) State Park

1707952 - This project involves replacing a screw gate, to control water levels at Horseshoe Lake. Project was submitted for review on 3-7-17.

Starved Rock State Park

1708423 - This project involves replacing deteriorated overhead power lines with underground power lines to service the picnic and boat launch areas. Project was submitted for review on 3-20-17.

Starved Rock State Park

1708227 - This project involves replacing the Campstore, which was destroyed in recent tornado. The Campstore will be moved to a more convenient location. Project was submitted for review on 3-15-17.

Region 5 Headquarters

1708236 - This project involves installation of a new fiber optic line to the Region 5 Headquarters in Benton. Project was submitted for review on 3-16-17.

Woodford State Fish & Wildlife Area

1707845 - This project involves rehabilitation of the river levee of the Forest Wetland Unit. Project was submitted for review on 3-3-17.

Shabbona Lake State Park

1708278 - This project involves removing dead Ash trees, grinding out the stumps, and replacing with native species. Project was submitted for review on 3-16-17.

Shabbona Lake State Park

1708294 - This project involves removal of silt in the kids fishing pond in the campground. Project was submitted for review on 3-16-17.

Shabbona Lake State Park

1708296 - This project involves trenching an electrical line in the campground. Project was submitted for review on 3-16-17.

I&M Canal

1708260 - This project involves replacing a power pole in Willow Springs for safety and reliability reasons. Project was submitted for review on 3-16-17.

Jim Edgar/Panther Creek State Fish & Wildlife Area

1708466 - This project involves improvements to the Field-Trial Gallery Trail. Three rock, low-water crossings will be constructed, along with additional trail improvements. Project was submitted for review on 3-21-17.

Giant City State Park

1708252 - This project involves repairs to the road systems and RV campsites at the Class A campground. Project was submitted for review on 3-16-17.

Johnson Sauk Trail State Recreation Area

1708990 - This project involves improvements to scrape and paint Ryan's Round Barn. Project was submitted for review on 4-3-17.

Des Plaines SFWA & Des Plaines Dolomite L&WR

1708131 - This project involves an agreement with the US Forest Service, in which, DNR will reduce fuel loads. Project was submitted for review on 3-13-17.

Jake Wolf Memorial Fish Hatchery

1708605 - This project involves replacing the fiber optic lines and control panel at the hatchery. Project was submitted for review on 3-24-17.

Giant City State Park

1708300 – This project involves repairs to the Eagle Pond levee, constructing a drainage swale at Shelter #1, and placement of culverts to help existing ditches drain properly. Project was submitted for review on 3-16-17.

Giant City State Park

1708207 – This project involves installation of additional rails on the viewing platform to meet safety and ADA codes. Project was submitted for review on 3-15-17.

Embarras River Bottoms State Habitat Area

1708460 - This project involves an agreement between IDNR and the Russell-Allison-Ambraw levee and drainage district to operate and maintain the levee crossing IDNR property. Project was submitted for review on 3-21-17.

IDNR Headquarters – Springfield

1709061 - This project involves excavating a swale from the pedestrian sidewalk towards the pond. Project was submitted for review on 4-5-17.

Marshall State Fish & Wildlife Area

1708994 - This project involves filling an abandoned pipeline with grout for capping purposes. Project was submitted for review on 4-3-17.

Mt. Vernon Game Farm

1709422 - This project involves demolition of four dilapidated and unsafe structures. Project was submitted for review on 4-13-17.

· Des Plaines State Fish & Wildlife Area

1709172 - This project involves filling an abandoned pipeline with grout for capping purposes. Project was submitted for review on 4-6-17.

Illinois Beach State Park

1709425 - This project involves clearing the Middle Creek culvert. Project was submitted for review on 4-13-17.

Horseshoe Lake – Alexander County

1707683 - This project involves repairing or replacing culverts and inline water control structures at eleven locations at Horseshoe Lake. Project was submitted for review on 2-28-17.

Giant City State Park

1513391 - This project involves installation of a privacy fence at the loading dock area at the Giant City Lodge. Project was submitted for review on 6-11-15.

· Franklin Creek State Natural Area

1707910 - This project involves removal of sediment from a sediment basin and placement of that material on other areas of the park. Project was submitted for review on 3-6-17.

Illini State Park

1708994 - This project involves repairs to a waterline. Project was submitted for review on 4-14-17.

Questions and Comments
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